

THE Western Liberal advocates the election of Israel King for commissioner from the third district on the ground that he is a heavier taxpayer than A. J. Clark, the democratic candidate. Now if the payment of taxes on property is the principal consideration in the matter the Liberal will advocate the election of Clark. In giving the amount of property upon which Mr. Clark pays taxes the Liberal overlooked the most of Mr. Clark's property. It merely gave the amount which he returned on his stock of goods which was returned under the firm name of Clark & Co., and overlooked the buildings in Deming which he owns and his ranch near town. In fact it gave about one-third of the total amount upon which Mr. Clark pays taxes. He paid taxes last year on about twice as much property as Mr. King and, according to the Liberal, ought, by all means, to be elected. The overlooking of the greater part of Mr. Clark's property on the tax roll was probably an oversight on the part of the Liberal and that paper should now make amends by supporting Mr. Clark for commissioner. It advocated the election of King on the ground that he paid more taxes than Clark. In this the Liberal was in error. Now it should advocate the election of Clark on the same ground that it advocated the election of King. It is a poor rule that won't work both ways.

SOME of Baca's friends are trying to put a bold front on the Ernest matter by saying that he had a perfect right to turn the prisoners loose after having arrested and handcuffed them for violation of the laws of the territory. The Enterprise, the mouthpiece of the republican ring, proved that Baca arrested the men and within two hours released them, so now there is no loophole left to crawl out of except the one that has been adopted and that is to justify him in the action. The republican leaders are getting deeper into the mire every time they make a move. If they expect the voters of the county to accept such a plea in behalf of a man who has been proved unfit for the office to which he aspires they will hardly realize their expectations. Grant county voters are not to be fooled so easily as that.

THE populists, in connection with the republicans have made a hard fight to down the democratic party in this county, but they will lose next Tuesday. The leading populists see that the game is up and now are going to try to elect Carr by drawing democratic votes away from Boone. Just why the populists of Deming, which is the strongest populist precinct in the county, should prefer Carr to Boone is difficult to see, but, of course, there is no accounting for taste. Bell cannot be elected, the populists are

aware of the fact but they are going to do all they can to down Boone. He will be elected, though, in spite of the work they are doing against him.

A DEMOCRATIC legislature passed the law establishing the New Mexico normal school at Silver City. The school is in operation and is a pronounced success. The friends of the normal school will advance the interests of the institution by supporting the democratic legislative ticket. The democratic party of New Mexico is the friend of education and is in direct opposition to the republican leader, Thomas B. Catron who is the pronounced enemy of education.

THE populists of this county are posing as the friends of the free and unlimited coinage of silver. Most of the leaders of the party were fighting on the other side of the fence two years ago last May when the democrats of this county elected a solid free silver delegation from this county to the territorial democratic convention at Albuquerque. S. Lindauer and John J. Bell were in the front rank of the opposition.

H. B. FERGUSSON and Gov. Thornton are doing good work in this campaign. Both of them will speak here tomorrow evening on the political situation and it is understood that there will be a joint discussion between H. B. Fergusson and John J. Bell. If the voters of this precinct want to see the fallacies of the populists exploded they will have the opportunity tomorrow evening.

IF PROMISES of positions after the election will elect the republican candidates next Tuesday they will be elected by a majority that will astound the natives, but past experience has taught many of the workers in this county that such promises are easily made and rarely kept. Some of those who have been left out in the cold in years past are going to get even next week.

A. J. CLARK, the democratic candidate for commissioner from the third district, paid taxes on property valued at \$10,695 last year. He is one of the solid business men of Deming, has been there since the town was started and would make an excellent commissioner. Vote for him next Tuesday. He will protect the interests of the taxpayers.

S. S. BRANNIN has made a good record as a county commissioner and the voters of this county will make no mistake in re-electing him for another term. He has discharged the duties of the office honestly and has insisted on economy in the administration of county affairs.

THE Salt River Navigation company's steamer will start on its next trip up

the river Wednesday morning November 7, 1894. The boat will be manned by a mongrel crew consisting of republicans and populists. It has not yet been decided whether Lindauer or Sheridan will be captain.

R. V. NEWSHAM, of Pinos Altos, is known to all the residents of Grant county and will be elected to the office of probate judge next Tuesday. He was one of the first officials of this county and made a good officer. He will make an excellent probate judge.

A DEMOCRATIC legislature passed the law reducing the fees of county officers which will go into effect on the first of next January. Voters who are in favor of economy in the matter of county expenses will vote the democratic ticket next Tuesday.

F. J. DAVIDSON, the democratic candidate for commissioner from the first district is a man for whom the democrats of the county can vote and rest assured that if elected he will look closely to the interests of the county.

BAYLOR SHANNON will be the next sheriff of Grant county and he will be a good one. The poor unfortunates who are contemplating resigning their positions to accept positions under Baca will be sorely disappointed.

THE person who murdered Harrison less than three miles from the city limits of Silver City has never been caught. A little more diligence in the pursuit of murderers would redound to the credit of the sheriff's office.

IT HAS been a long time since Pinos Altos was represented on the board of county commissioners of this county, but that precinct will have a representative on the board in the person of F. J. Davidson next year.

THE republican managers are still kicking themselves for saying anything about those affidavits and after the election they will feel like investing in a kicking machine to finish the job.

THE Enterprise proved that Mr. Baca is an unfit man for sheriff and has not made an affidavit that the proof was untrue.

THE EAGLE's stock of roosters is in fine voice. These birds will commence crowing next Wednesday.

LINDAUER's party has fizzled. He didn't have so many voters under his thumb as he imagined.

THE republicans of this county will meet their Waterloo next Tuesday.